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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT & TRADEMARK OFFICE

IN RE APPLICATION OF :
CARL SIDONIUS, MARIA ANDELA, ET AL. : EXAMINER: MONDESI, ROBERT B.
SERIAL NO: 10/500,967 :
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FOR: GRANULATES CONTAINING :
FEED-ENZYMES

RESPONSE TO THE REQUIREMENT FOR RESTRICTION
AND AMENDMENT

COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS
ALEXANDRIA, VIRGINIA 22313

SIR:

In response to the Restriction Requirement mailed January 5, 2007, Applicants elect, with traverse, Group II: Claims 14 and 17 drawn to an enzyme-containing granulate coated with a dispersion of particles consisting essentially of a hydrophobic substance and a feed comprising said granulate.

As regards the requirement for two elections of species, Applicants elect “a hydrophobic fat- or wax-like substance” from Claim 7 and, from Claim 13, elect the enzyme “phytase” but would like to state that the importance of the Claim 13 enzymes in animal feeds should be ranked in the order in which they have been recited beginning with phytase and ending with glucose oxidase.

Applicants request that the Examiner expand the search to the non-elected claims of Groups I, II and IV, Claims 1-13, 15-16 and 18, if the elected Group II claims are found allowable.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 8 of this paper.